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In re: Patent Application of
FRANK PELOSI, JR.

Serial No. 09/395,270

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For: Dimensionally Stable Adhesive
Floor Covering System

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Washington, DC 20231

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Examiner Blair M. Johnson

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

The Office Action of November 29, 2000 and the references cited therein have
been carefully studied and in view of the following representations, reconsideration and
allowance of this application are most respectfully requested.

Claims 1-8 and 10 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being
unpatentable over Wyman. According to the Examiner, Wyman discloses a polymer backing
having a double layer of adhesive and release films therefor. The Examiner states that it would
have been within the purview of one of ordinary skill in the art to first place the backing on the
underlying surface, carpet, concrete, etc., and then place the top carpet or rug thereon, such being
an obvious choice of sequence of steps. Also, the Examiner states that using different types